Library Supreme Court Hongkong.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 3337 — TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1893. — SIX DOLLARS PER QUARTER

Banks.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital.....£1,000,000
Subscribed Capital.....£ 500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq. — Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. — W. Wotton, Esq.
C. J. Hirst, Esq. — Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Branches.—London, Yokohama, Shanghai, Amoy and Foochow.

BANKERS:—
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.
Parrs Banking Co., and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
" 6 " " 4 "
" 3 " " 3 "
CURRENT ACCOUNTS 2 "

Hongkong, 13th December, 1892. [8

Insurances.

THREE IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT THE STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

1.—HALF A MILLION STERLING *per annum* is being paid in Death claims year by year.
2.—THE FUNDS IN HAND amount to upwards of Seven Million pounds Sterling and have increased 50 per cent. in the last 15 years.
3.—THE LIVES who die are annually replaced by *more than double* the number of new carefully selected lives.

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
679—3] Agents, Hongkong.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE INSURANCES on favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [389

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

CAPITAL TAELS 600,000, EQUAL TO $833,333.33
RESERVE FUND $318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

LEE SING, Esq. — LO YEUK MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1885. [869

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

WOO LIN YUEN,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1882. [149

Intimations.

WANTED.

A FIVE or SIX ROOMED HOUSE, at the PEAK.

Address
Colonel MULLOY, R.E.
Head Quarter Offices.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1892. [45

KEBAO,
SOCIETE ANONYME FRANCAISE.
CAPITAL 4,000,000 FRANCS.

LA SOCIETE KEBAO (TONKIN), dont l'exploitation prend chaque jours de l'importance et dont est seule CONNAISSEUR DE LA MARINE-FRANCAISE AU TONKIN, dont le Charbon est brûlé d'une façon régulière à bord des Steamers des MESSAGERIES MARITIMES, et en particulier à bord du *Haiphong*, voulant introduire ses Charbons sur la place de Hongkong a confié le soin de son Agence à la maison

SHEWAN & Cie.,
Praya Central, Hongkong.

à partir de 1er. Novembre, 1892.

Le Directeur Général de Kébao,
HENRY PORTAL.

Kébao, 10 Decembre, 1892. [42

THE HONGKONG DIRECTORY.

LADIES who have arrived in the Colony during the current year, and those who have changed their residences since last publication, will oblige by forwarding THEIR ADDRESSES for insertion in THE LADIES' DIRECTORY for 1893, as early as possible.

ADVERTISEMENTS for the HONGKONG DIRECTORY should be sent in at once.

"THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" Office,
Pedder's Hill,

Hongkong, 16th December, 1892.

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that ARTILLERY PRACTICE from the Batteries will take place as under, during the month of January, 1893, between the hours of 9 A.M. and 5 P.M. (Saturdays and Sundays excepted).

3rd to 21st January.—From Stonecutters' Island in Westerly and South-westerly directions From Ly-e-mun in Easterly, South-easterly and North-Westerly directions.

16th, 17th and 18th January.—From Belchers and Fly Point in Northerly and South-westerly directions. Blank Firing will also take place from Kowloon West and Victoria Batteries.

19th and 20th January.—From Kowloon East and Kowloon Dock in a South-easterly direction, and North Point in a North-easterly direction.

All Ships, Junks and other vessels are cautioned to keep clear of the ranges.

The inhabitants of the houses near Belchers, Kowloon East, Kowloon Dock and Kowloon West Batteries are warned to keep their glass windows open during the PRACTICE, and all people working in the vicinity of Belcher's Battery are also warned to keep clear of that part which will be indicated by gunners placed on sentry for the purpose.

By Command,
G. T. M. O'BRIEN,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 28th December, 1892. [47

THE MARINBURK FURNITURE COMPANY, LIMITED, (IN LIQUIDATION).

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

BY ORDER OF THE LIQUIDATOR.

IN consequence of the letting of this Company's Business as a going concern and the removal of the Business and Machinery to other premises—and the consequent Closing of this Liquidation—the whole of the remaining Valuable Stock of this Company's well-known

FURNITURE, TAPESTRY, PLUSHES, HARDWARE, GLASS, MARBLE, and UPHOLSTERY MATERIALS

will be offered for Sale privately at GREATLY REDUCED PRICES MARKED IN PLAIN FIGURES.

Any length of Covering Fringes, &c., will be cut and Pattern Books sent for Inspection.

SALE FOR 14 DAYS ONLY
FROM 9TH OF JANUARY, 1893.

Offers are invited for a portion of the Valuable Woodworking Plant, which is nearly new and in first class order, of which particulars will be sent on application.

The Stock and Machinery may be seen at the COMPANY'S FACTORY, 125, Wanchai Road (near No. 2 Police Station), any week day from 7 A.M. to 5 P.M. (excepting from 12 to 1) upon application on the Premises to

A. SMITH,
Manager.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [50

SAI-PANG COALS.

THE Undersigned begs to inform the Public that he has appointed HOP-WO-LOONG as Agents in Hongkong for the Sale of the SAI-PANG COALS of the HONDO COAL MINES, Japan.

KONOMI TAKASUKE,
Owner of the Hondo Coal Mines.

WE the Undersigned are ready to supply COALS of the above Mines, weight and quality guaranteed, in any quantity with the quickest dispatch.

HOP-WO-LOONG,
Agents for the Hondo Coal Mines,
Nos. 36 & 37, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 26th August, 1892. [855

KING WO CHEONG.

COAL MERCHANTS, SHIP'S COMPRADORES, STEVEDORES, &c.

Have for Sale a cargo of pure AKAIKI COAL, ex S.S. "LENNOX."

MR. J. W. BOYD, Superintendent, at Kowloon Docks, reports that AKAIKI COAL GIVES TEN PER CENT. BETTER RESULTS than any Japanese Coal he has ever used.

For full particulars as to price, &c.,
Apply to

KING WO CHEONG,
No. 32, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1892. [731

THE MIIKE COAL MINING COMPANY.

THE MIIKE COAL is a BITUMINOUS COAL of dark reddish colour. For steam purposes it has been pronounced to be the best and the most economical of all the Japanese Coals. Its export is increasing yearly, and the opinions expressed by several of the largest regular consumers are in testimony of the excellent qualities of this coal.

Attention is called to the following advantages to Ships' Owners and Captains, who coal their bunkers direct from the Undersigned:—

FRESHNESS of the coal.
UNIFORMITY of quality.
FREEDOM from impurities.
Supply in any quantity on shortest notice.
Quick despatch.
BEST of weight, etc., etc.

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHIA,
Sole Agents.

Hongkong, 5th September, 1892. [890

TAKLEMA COLLIERIES COMPANY, MOJI.

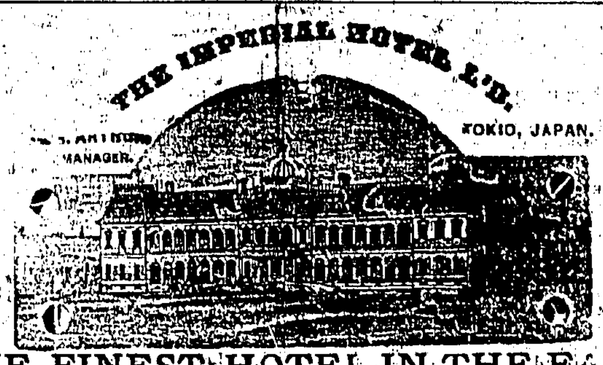
THIS Company having appointed the Undersigned AGENTS for their Coal, (TAKLEMA AKAIKI) in Hongkong, they are prepared to supply Coal ex-Ship, ex-Godown, or trimmed in Bunkers, at prices to be had on application.

Copies of Reports and Analysis to be seen in the Office of the Undersigned.

CHEE ON & Co.,
Sole Agents.

Nos. 21 & 22, Lee Yuen Street, East,
Hongkong, 26th September, 1892. [933

Intimations.



THE FINEST HOTEL IN THE EAST.

(Under the distinguished patronage of the Imperial Household.)

THIS fine hotel is situated within five minutes' drive of the terminus of the Yokohama-Tokyo Railway and is in near proximity to the Imperial Palace, the Parliament House and the Chief Public Offices.

There are no inside rooms, thus securing well lighted, ventilated and cheerful accommodations. The Cuisine cannot be surpassed, and the aim of the management is to provide for the comfort and pleasure of its guests. The attractions of Tokio are countless, and the religious and floral festivals being of daily occurrence are to be seen at their best and on a grander scale than in any other portion of Japan. All the noted actors, wrestlers and jugglers make the capital their head-quarters.

RATES, $3 TO $4.50 PER DAY.

C. S. ARTHUR,
Manager.

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MOUTRIE, ROBINSON & Co.
(UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL) HONGKONG.

PIANOS ON HIRE
FROM $8.00 PER MONTH INCLUDING TUNING.

PIANOS TUNED—Single Tuning...$5.
do. do. Every alternate month...$25 per annum.
do. do. do. month.....$48 do.
INCLUDING ALL MINOR REPAIRS AND THE KEEPING OF THE PIANO IN GOOD CONDITION. [581

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.
HAVE RECEIVED THEIR NEW STOCK OF
SADDLERY

Racing Saddles 3 lb. & 5 lb., Saddle Cloths, Weight Cloths, Clothing, Bridles, Racing and Driving Reins.

JOCKEY WHIPS, DRIVING WHIPS.

Surcingles, Girths, Rollers, Stirrup Leathers and Webs, Headstalls, Cruppers, Martingales, Halters Hunting Crops.

POLO BITS.
Box Spurs, Racing Spurs, Hunting Crops.

STABLE BRUSHES AND REQUISITES.

Riding Boots, Jockey Boots, Boot Tops, Boot-top Liquid, Saddle Soap, Brown Leather Paste.

LANE CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1892 [1071

CENTRAL HOTEL,
SHANGHAI.

THIS long established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river, in the centre of the Settlements, has lately undergone extensive alterations, and is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

The Electric Lighting now partly laid on will be completed during this year, 1892.

An Assistant will attend on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

F. E. REILLY,
PROPRIETOR.

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W. POWELL & CO.

HOUSEHOLD SUNDRIES.

BUTTER PRINTS.
EGG BOILERS.
KITCHEN SCALES.
NUTMEG SCRAPERS.
FLOUR DREDGERS.
PEPPER GRINDERS.
HAIR & WIRE SIEVES.
MEAT SAFES, &c., &c.

SUNLIGHT SOAP.
BROOKE'S SOAP.
SCRUBBING BRUSHES.
HOUSE BROOMS.
HEARTH BRUSHES.
COAL BOXES.
FENDERS.
FIRE IRONS, &c., &c.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1892. 46

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

A FEW BOOKS SUITABLE FOR NEW YEAR'S PRESENTS.

DRAWING ROOM BOOKS & STANDARD WORKS.

"ROMEO & JULIET"—Illustrated in the highest style of chromo-lithography, by L. Rossi—$8.50.
"School for Scandal," by L. Rossi—$12.50.
Tennyson's Poetical Works—Illustrated quarto edition in Morocco binding—$7.50.
Morocco Bound Editions of Shelley, Longfellow, Whittier, Shakspeare, Byron, Burns, Milton, Wordsworth, Scott, Hood, Poets of the Nineteenth Century, Gems of National Poetry—$3 each.
Chas. Dickens' Works—Complete Illustrated Edition 21 vols. ½ calf, elegant—$75.
Ruskin's Works in 12 volumes, containing—Modern Painters, Stones of Venice, Seven Lamps of Architecture, Lectures on Art, Ariadne Florentina, &c.—$25.
The Humboldt Library—16 vols. in cloth, containing over 100 Standard Works by Modern Writers of Eminence including, Darwin's Origin of Species, Darwin's Descent of Man, Tyndall's Fragments of Science, &c.—$60.
Thackeray's Works, 12 vols. ½ calf extra—$40.
Charlotte Bronte's Works—7 vols. ½ calf—$22.

JUVENILE BOOKS.

Bound Volumes of Boys' Own Annual, Girls' Own Annual, Chatterbox, Little Folks, St. Nicholas Magazine, Atalanta, Little Wide Awake, Bo Peep, Bright Eyes, &c.
English Fairy Tales—Illustrated.
Celtic Fairy Tales—Illustrated.
Andersen's Fairy Tales—Illustrated.
Grimm's Household Stories—Illustrated.
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Our Christmas Books.
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Wood's Natural History.
Nister's Charming Series of Children's Books, very artistically coloured.
An immense stock of Postage Stamp Albums.
A very large collection of Booklets, beautifully illustrated.
All the New Children's Books of the Season.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1892. [7

Intimations.

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ON and after the 1st January, 1893, the following PRICES will be charged for MILK.

For		Each
1 or 2	Half Pint Bottles per Day—	10 cents.
3 " 4	do. do.	— 9 "
5 " 6	do. do.	— 8 "
7 " more	do. do.	— 7 "

By Order of the Board,
W. HUTTON POTTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1892. [46

NOTICE.

THE MARIA CHRISTINA CIGAR DEPOT, No. 8, D'AGUILAR STREET, HONGKONG.

HAS received from their MANUFACTORY in Manila some specially-made CIGARS for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

The CIGARS from this MANUFACTORY have obtained PRIZES at all the EXHIBITIONS for excellence of Leaf and Workmanship.

An inspection is respectfully solicited.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1892. [41

PRIVATE BOARD AND RESIDENCE, STAINFIELD'S—1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.

VACANCIES for GENTLEMEN or MARRIED COUPLES at Moderate Terms.

MRS. STAINFIELD,
Proprietress.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [49

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

COMFORTABLY FURNISHED ROOMS, with Board and Table Accommodation.

Apply to

MRS. MATHER,
2, Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 9th November, 1892. [26

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

DUC DE MONTEBELLO CHAMPAGNE.

$26.00 per case... 6 Magnums (Dry).
27.00 do. ... 6 do. (Extra dry).
25.00 do. ...12 Quarts (Dry).
26.00 do. ...24 Pints (do.).
26.00 do. ...12 Quarts (Extra dry).
27.00 do. ...24 Pints (do.).

BRANDY.

$7.50 to $66 per case of 1 dozen quarts.

CLARETS.

$6 to $42 per case of 1 dozen quarts.

FRENCH BEER, WHITE WINE, &c., &c., &c.

Price list on application.

M. S. SASSOON & Co.,
Agents for
P. MIGNARD, Esq.,
Shanghai.

Hongkong, 25th November, 1892. [1172

FOR SALE.

BREAKFAST SAUSAGES...35 cents per lb.

AUSTRALIAN CORNED BEEF ..... 12 " "

ANDERSON & OLSEN,
23, Lee Yuen Street East.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1892. [1193

FOR SALE.

THE GOOD S.S. "PEKIN" and S.S. "KWONG-MO."

For Particulars apply to

SUI KEE CHAN,
55, Bonham Strand West.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1892. [37

FOR SALE.

THE SCHOONER "MONTIARA,"
AS SHE NOW LIES IN YAU-MA-TI BAY.

Length .....75 feet.
Beam .....17 feet.
Depth of hold .....7½ feet.
Registered Tonnage .....75 tons.

(Owing to recent alterations the carrying capacity of the *Montiara* has been increased to about 120 tons dead weight.)

The *Montiara* was built in Singapore, is most solidly constructed of teak throughout, with ironwood frames, has recently been thoroughly overhauled under experienced European superintendence, and is now in excellent condition. She is a very fast sailer and a most suitable vessel for the Canton kerosene trade, or would make a first-class lighter.

For Particulars as to Price, &c., apply to

R. FRASER-SMITH,
6, Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1892. [30

FOR SALE.

THE ENGINES AND BOILER OF THE CHINESE GUNBOAT "CHOP-CHEUNG," AS THEY LIE AT ABERDEEN DOCKS.

THE Engines of the *Chop-cheung* were constructed by Messrs. INGLIS & Co., of Wanchai, and are of the Compound Inverted Cylinder Direct-Acting Surface Condensing type, Cylinders 20½ and 38" dia., with a stroke of 26." The Crank Shaft is 6½" dia. at the Crank pin and 7" dia. at the Journals. The H.P. Piston Rod is 3" and the L.P. 3½" dia. The Piston and Connecting Rod bolts are 2" dia. Air Pump 14½" dia. by 13 stroke, Single Acting Circulating Pump 8" dia. by 13" stroke, and Double Acting Feed and Bilge Pump (one each) 3" dia. by 13" stroke.

These Engines have been very little used and are in thoroughly good order.

The Boiler is of the Horizontal Multitubular type, with three Furnaces and vertical Dome on top. Its dia. is 10ft. 2" by 9ft. 10" long, external measurements; Furnaces, 2ft. 7" dia.; Dome, 44" dia. by 4ft. high; Tubes, 184 in number by 3" ex. dia. It is in fairly good condition, having recently undergone considerable repairs, and would last in active service for over five years.

The Engines and Boiler can be inspected on application to the Superintendent at Aberdeen Docks.

For further particulars, apply to

R. FRASER-SMITH,
6, Pedder's Hill.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1892. [31

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. JOHN HUGHES LEWIS is AUTHORISED to Sign our Firm from this date.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

Hongkong, 20th December, 1892. [1266

Masonic.

DILIGENTIA LODGE OF INSTRUCTION.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 5th January, 1893, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1892. [1292

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 4th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [48

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

THE Steamship

"STRATHCLYDE,"

Captain L. White, will be despatched as above on or about WEDNESDAY, the 4th January, 1893.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th December, 1892. [44

"UNION" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"WORCESTER,"

Captain Morice, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 9th January next.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1892. [43

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE, LONDON, HAMBURG AND ANTWERP.

THE Steamship

"PEMBROKESHIRE,"

Captain Gedye, will be despatched as above on or about the 16th January, 1893.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1892. [1204

Consignees.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "CHINA."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 30th December, 1892. [1

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "TEVIOT."
FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon TO-MORROW.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th prox., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 7th prox., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 7th prox., at 3 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [1276

THEY LEAD THEM ALL,
THE CELEBRATED
CALIFORNIA WINES,

from the well-known Vineyards of Messrs. KOHLER AND VAN BERGEN, San Francisco, and JULIAN P. SMITH (Olivina) Livermore, California.

Guaranteed to be Pure and Unadulterated.

Pure BLACKBERRY BRANDY and fresh Consignments of BARTLETT SPRING MINERAL WATER by each Steamer.

Prices forwarded on application to

MACONDRAY BROTHERS & Co.,
Commission Merchants,
No. 30, Water Street,
Yokohama.

Yokohama, 12th August, 1892. [86

Intimations.

GINGER ALE.

WE have always made good GINGER ALE, and we are now making the best. At various exhibitions and competitions in London and elsewhere, GINGER ALE made by the formula we now use has won 32 Prize MEDALS and CERTIFICATES of MERIT.

In 1890 competed and won against FOUR of the most famed Belfast makers.

The Analyst's report:—

"It is of unexceptionally good quality."

"Particularly pleasant to the taste."

"Decidedly tonic and sustaining."

"In every respect most satisfactory."

ARTHUR HILL HASSAL, M.D.

The ideal temperance beverage.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co., LD.
Victoria Dispensary,
Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1892. [38

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD,

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

HIGH CLASS
CONFECTIONERY

CHOCOLATE CREMES, VANILLA PRALINES, SUGARED ALMONDS, BURNT ALMONDS, NOUGAT, JUJUBES, TURKISH DELIGHT, PARISIANS,

&c., &c., &c.

DELICIOUS FRUIT JELLIES.
ASSORTED PINEAPPLE, LIME, DAMSON, GUAVA, RASPBERRY, STRAWBERRY, PLUM, &c..

CALLARD AND BOWSER'S
BUTTER SCOTCH, ALMOND ROCK and EVERTON TOFFEE.

CADBURY'S CHOCOLATES
in great variety.

CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS, MUSCATELS, ALMONDS AND FIGS.

FANCY BOXES.
A large and varied Assortment of ARTISTIC DESIGNS.

NEW YEAR
CARDS
ENGLISH, JAPANESE and CHINESE.
A splendid selection.

TOM SMITH'S CRACKERS,
A LARGE AND WELL ASSORTED STOCK.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 30th December, 1892. [5

BIRTH.

On the 24th December, the wife of G. A. DISSMEYER, Imperial Maritime Customs, Shanghai, of a son.

DEATHS.

On the 26th December, at the General Hospital DAVID EARLE FULTON, of Messrs. Barlow & Co. and late of Shanghai.

At Chefoo on the 28th December, E. F. OTTAWAY, Boat-officer, I. M. Customs.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1893.

TELEGRAMS.

THE CRISIS IN FRANCE.

LONDON, December 23rd.

Consternation is growing in Paris. There has been a meeting of the Bonapartist party and an envoy has been sent to Brussels to see Prince Victor with reference to drafting a manifesto.

THE PANAMA SCANDALS.

December 24th.

It is expected in Paris that fresh arrests will be made in consequence of some startling revelations regarding the Panama Canal Scandals.

AMERICA AND THE SILVER QUESTION.

A resolution prompted by Mr. Cleveland has been introduced to Congress to empower the President of the United States to suspend the purchases of silver whenever he considers that circumstances require this course to be adopted.

OBITUARY.

The death is announced of Mr. Montague William*s*, Q.C.

[The eminent counsel in criminal cases, afterwards police magistrate in London, Mr. Montague Williams has published two series of reminiscences of his professional career entitled "Leaves from My Life."—*Ed. Singapore Free Press.*]

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Band of the 1st Shropshire Light Infantry will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess, Murray Barracks, this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock:—

March	"Trumpets of the Guard"	Williams.
Selection	"Carmen"	Bizet.
Valse	"Ma Belle Adorée"	Dudley Roy.
Selection	"Un Ballo in Maschera"	Verdi.
Polka	"The Noisy Johnnie"	Pritchard.

H.M.S. *Firebrand* left yesterday for a cruise.

THE Spanish cruiser *Don Juan*, Capt. Beltran, arrived yesterday from Manila, and has gone into dock at Kowloon.

THE *Avenir* states that from January 1st the French colonies are to have a new issue of postage stamps, distinct for each colony.

CAPT. Martin, in charge of the Bangkok signal station, died on the 15th ulto. He was well-known and greatly liked by all who knew him.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Jan. 1st, are:—Europeans, 124; Chinese, 1,690; total 1,814.

THE next meeting of the Diligentia Lodge of Instruction will be on Thursday, 12th January, not the 5th as advertised; and on every alternate Thursday from the 12th.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s Royal mail steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Shanghai on the 30th ulto. at 9 p.m., and left again at 10 p.m. on the 31st for Vancouver, *via* Nagasaki and Japan ports.

K'UNG CH'ING-FU, Customs Taotai at Hankow, died on Christmas day. Deceased was at one time Senior Secretary of the Board of Punishments and a Chief Secretary of the Tsung-li Yamên.

THE Sanitary Board will meet on Wednesday January 4th, 1893, at 3 p.m. order of the day. Specifications for Village Scavenging Contracts. *Agenda.*—1. Mortality Returns for the weeks ended the 24th and 31st December, 1892.

THERE was not a single prisoner in the British gaol at Shanghai on December 29th. It wouldn't be a bad notion for the Hongkong Government to take over what appears to be a useless institution in the Model Settlement.

ONE would have thought that most of the European community would have been thoroughly acquainted with the custom of "ringing in the New Year," but some of the Fire Brigade, poor ignorant heathens, thought it was a call to duty, and turned out with most laudable promptness. Some bad language followed.

AT the Harbour Office this afternoon M. Roach, able seaman, of the steamship *Glenearn*, was sent to gaol for four days by Capt. Rumsey, for refusing to obey orders on his ship yesterday and to-day. The man admitted having refused, but pleaded that he was given an unfairly large share of the "dirty work" on the ship. He said he had been 14 years at sea without a complaint.

MR. Alexander Smith, who recently left his berth as second officer of the steamer *Sishan*, owing, we are informed, to some dissatisfaction with the service, shot himself, probably by accident, on Sunday night. He is now in Hospital, with an ugly wound through the breast, a revolver bullet having passed quite through. He is doing fairly well.

THE *Daily Press* has turned over a new leaf with a bang, and great was the fall thereof. Formerly our esteemed morning contemp. used to be a few years behind with the news; now the old lady is a good many years too previous, announcing the death of Mr. Alexander Smith (of the *Sishan*) who is not only alive and well, but able to knock two or three funerals out of *Granny*.

MR. E. W. Rutter, attorney for the liquidator of the New Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited, has notified that a first dividend of twenty per cent. will be payable on application at the office of the bank on and after Monday the 16th inst., to all creditors whose claims have been received and admitted. Deposit receipts, bills of exchange, etc., must be handed in before the dividend can be paid.

A COURT of Enquiry into the circumstances attending the stranding of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's steamer *Shinagawa Maru*, which ran ashore on Kabuto Island in the Inland Sea on October 14th, was held at the Marine Inspection and Survey Bureau, Tokyo, on the 15th December, the result being that the certificate of the Captain, Muramatsu Shinkichi, was suspended for five months.

AT the City Club on Saturday night the final tie in the bowling competition, for a splendid silver cup presented by the Club, ended in favour of Mr. W. Quincey, who scored 414. This is the highest ever totalled in a five-pin game in the history of the Club. The last competition, for a cup offered by Mr. Quincey, was won by Mr. C. Hadden with 352, in November. Last year's Club cup was won by Mr. Wei Pin with 322.

UNLESS the Woosung Bar improves itself, for is improved, says the *Mercury*, the Customs will soon find a falling off in the tonnage dues collected there. The *Saikio Maru* has been taken off the line, and is to be replaced by a much smaller boat, the *Tokio Maru*. It is reported that the steamers of one of the principal lines from England are no longer to go to Shanghai, but are to go direct to Japan, their Shanghai cargo being taken on from Hongkong in coasting steamers.

YESTERDAY morning Dusabhoi Chiwanjee Gayader, cook at a Parsee hong in Gage Street, had a dispute with a Chinese coolie, who promptly picked up a chopper and inflicted a terrible blow on the Parsee, slicing a piece off his head and cutting deep into his shoulder. The victim was taken to the Police Station, where Dr. Lowson, who happened to be at hand, patched him up in a masterly manner and sent him on to the hospital. The coolie, Wu Achu, was arrested, and was in due course brought before Comr. W. C. H. Hastings at the Police Court this morning, and remanded until the 11th, bail being refused. The victim is progressing favourably towards recovery, but is not expected to be out of hospital before the 19th.

TO-DAY'S SHIPPING RETURNS.

Inward.

El Dorado	steamer,	from	Chefoo.
Canton	"	"	Swatow.
Ash	"	"	Hoihow.
Glenearn	"	"	Saigon.
Zafiro	"	"	Manila.
Higo Maru	"	"	Manila.
Hsin-fung	"	"	Shanghai.
Menghut	"	"	Bangkok.
Nanyang	"	"	Shanghai.
Soochow	"	"	Canton.
Taisang	"	"	Canton.
Freir	"	"	Hoihow.
Benledi	"	"	Saigon.
Malwa	"	"	Yokohama.
Shanghai	"	"	Shanghai.
Avochis	"	"	Hongay.
Orion	"	"	Bombay.
Don Juan	cruiser		Manila.

Aggregating 21,359 tons, register.

Outward.

Rio	steamer,	for	Saigon.
Meefoo	"	"	Shanghai.
Ulysses	"	"	Singapore.
Taisang	"	"	Swatow.
Higo Maru	"	"	Amoy.
Firebrand	gunboat	"	A cruise.

Aggregating 7,577 tons, register.

MAILS Due:—

Bombay (*Bormida*) 5th inst.

IN the case of Lee Wah *vs.* G. Murray Campbell in H.B.M. Court at Bangkok on the 16th December, the plaintiff's motion to sue *in forma pauperis* was dismissed with costs, plaintiff admitting that he had paid $100, fees to counsel. Mr. E. B. Michell, the counsel for the plaintiff, has given notice of appeal to the Supreme Court at Singapore.

IT has recently been discovered that the *Fatma* instead of causing the Woosung Bar to silt up, has had the opposite effect, and vessels are beginning to use the channel between the wreck and Pootung. On the 24th ulto. a barque drawing 17ft. 6in. was towed up that way. On the 26th one of the tug-boats took this channel and found nothing less than 11ft. on the Bar, while the depth of water on the old route was only 8ft. 6in.

THE Ocean steamer *Ulysses* left for Liverpool this afternoon, having on board Mr. Duncan Sinclair, ex-constable, H. K. P., one of the finest athletes the Colony has ever seen, and one of the biggest and best hearted fellows in the world. Unfortunately he lost his head over some petty injustice, of a sort only too common in the Force; his righteous indignation overflowed into another man's eye, and the Hongkong Police lost an active and intelligent man. He was escorted on board by a crowd of friends, with the pipes in full blast, and left amid showers of good wishes.

MR. NATTALY has now added to his wonderful panorama in Duddell Street a museum of anatomical specimens such as very few cities in the world have seen. Splendidly executed life-size wax models, of the highest class of workmanship, show in perfect detail all parts of the human body, and constitute a valuable instructive object-lesson. Mr. Nattaly has a number of testimonials from medical officers in various places he has visited, and Dr. Ayres, Colonial Surgeon of Hongkong, has, we are informed, expressed himself as highly pleased with the exhibition. The museum will be open this evening, and every day till further notice.

THE German steamship *Vorwaerts* arrived at Nagasaki in a disabled condition on December 24th, about 9 p.m., in tow of the I. C. S. N. Co.'s s. s. *Esang*, having been picked up in the vicinity of Shimonoseki. The *Vorwaerts* was bound from Shanghai to Kobe, with a cargo of cotton, when her propeller-shaft gave way, rendering her perfectly helpless. The *Esang* being bound in the opposite direction, *viz.*, from Kobe to Shanghai, arrangements were made for towing the disabled vessel to Nagasaki. The sum agreed upon for the *Esang's* services was, says the *Rising Sun* $10,000. The *Vorwaerts* cargo has been discharged, and she is now on the Mitsu Bishi Co.'s Slip.

THE "Sons of Neptune" again had an overflowing house on Saturday night, and must no doubt by this time have a big pile of money to hand over to the charitable institutions of the Colony. Owing to numerous and urgent requests from every quarter, the organisers of this most novel and amusing entertainment have promised to repeat the "Voyage of the *Albacore*" to-morrow afternoon, at 3.30 p.m., for the special benefit of the children, who will be admitted half price to all parts of the house. This will be a great convenience to those who live at a distance from the town, and the young folks are sure to enjoy the treat immensely. A further "encore" performance will take place on Saturday evening, beginning at nine o'clock; prices as usual.

IN the midst of all the Christmas and New Year festivities the *North China Daily News* publishes the following unkind announcement:—"We are asked to make it public that Mr George Prentice, last Saturday afternoon, 24th December, between 2 and 3 o'clock, left the China Inland Mission premises in Woosung Road, to make some purchases in Nanking Road, and has not since been heard of. As he had previously suffered from mental depression grave fears are entertained as to his safety. Any information that might give a clue to his whereabouts will be gratefully received at the C.I.M. Mr. Prentice is Scotch; of medium height, heavy build; dark complexion with moustache and beard, but no whiskers; age about 38; wore a light brown overcoat, brown tweed suit and wide-awake light hat." Dear, dear! Terrible thing, Saturday night!

THE Legislative Council will meet on Thursday, 5th January, 1893, at 3 p.m.; orders of the day.—

1. Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to declare the terms and conditions applicable to Loans authorised to be raised by the Government of Hongkong and to provide for the creation of Inscribed Stock.

2. Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance for raising the sum of £200,000 by Loan for the purpose of defraying the cost of certain Public Works.

3. Third reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Marriage Ordinance, 1875.

4. Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Medical Registration Ordinance, 1884, in Committee.

There will be a meeting of the Finance Committee immediately after the Council.

THE name of manganine, says the New York *Sun*, has been given to a new alloy brought forward in Germany as a material of great resisting power, and which consists of copper, nickel and manganese. The specific resistance of this article is given as forty-two microhm centimeters; that is, higher than even that of nickeline, which has hitherto passed as the best resisting metal. Another advantage of manganine is its behavior under variations of heat, the resistance, it is claimed, being affected only in a minute degree by high temperatures; on this account it is adapted to the manufacture of measuring instruments and of electrical apparatus, in general, those which are required to vary their resistance to as slight a degree as possible under different degrees of heat. A further interesting fact is mentioned, namely, that while other metals increase their resistance by the raising of the temperature, that of manganine is diminished.

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Statistics for December, 1892.

In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st December	65
In-Patients admitted to Hospital during December	62
Total number treated as In-Patients	127
Of these there were:—	
Discharged cured	47
Discharged relieved	12
Discharged on other grounds	5
Died in Hospital	6
	70
In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st January 93	57
Out-Patients, new cases	740
Out-Patients, return visits	842
Total number of Out-Patient visits	1582
Operations	5
Vaccinations	33
Dental cases	29
Casualty cases	1

JOHN C. THOMSON, M.A., M.D.,
Superintendent.

THE Hon. and Mrs. J. J. Bell-Irving returned from Shanghai to-day by the *Empress of China*.

MR. H. H. Fox, of the British Legation in Peking, has been appointed Secretary of the British Consulate-General at Söul.

THE Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s Royal mail steamer *Empress of China*, Capt. R. Archibald, arrived in Hongkong at 1.15 p.m. to-day. This is the first steamer bringing English mails on the Winter Atlantic Schedule, which makes due date of arrival at Hongkong on Tuesday instead of Monday as heretofore.

ON the 24th ulto. Messrs. Payne and Wilson, the Customs' divers, were engaged in blasting operations at the *Fatma*. They left Pootung at about 9 a.m. and returned to Shanghai the same evening, having in the meantime blasted two holes in the side of the wreck with dynamite, which may be considered smart work. Each hole is about twelve feet square, one being forward and the other aft. The object of the operations was to enable the native divers to get at the cargo.

A PUZZLED PROFESSOR.

I understand most languages that human beings speak—
French, German, Spanish, English, with Latin, Dutch and Greek;
But I have a very little boy who 's wiser far than I
For he 's puzzled me completely by a very strange reply.

A circus came to town, one day, and Tommy longed to go;
He asked me for permission, and I simply answered no.
His chin turned up, his mouth turned down, he stamped and clinched his hand.
And uttered this queer sentence that I couldn't understand:

"I don't—ah, ooh—boo, ah! Papa! You might you never—boo!
Ur, hur, er—let me go, ah yah! to any—Oh! Boo-hoo!"

At least, it sounded so to me; and what I'd like to know
Is whether some obliging boy his cleverness will show
By sending me, in English, what Tommy meant to say
The time that he addressed me in that very foreign way.

—*Tudor Jenks in St. Nicholas.*

SUPREME COURT.

IN APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

(*Before the Full Court.*)

January 3rd.

THE SIMON AND SAMUEL CASE.

In the suit of Li Tat Sam, of the Tak Chun hong, tea merchants, against Lam Tan Chu, compradore of Simon & Co., in which judgment had been given for defendant in the lower court, plaintiff applied to have the judgment reversed. Mr. Francis, instructed by Mr. Hastings (Wotton & Deacon) was for the appellant, and Mr. Robinson, instructed by Mr. Grist (Mr. C. D. Wilkinson's office) was for the respondent.

Mr. Francis in opening rehearsed the facts of the case at full length and read the evidence given in the lower court. The plaintiffs had sold to Simon and Samuel, trading as Simon & Co., 400 chests of tea, valued at $5,620, defendant guaranteeing payment within three days of shipment, while the contract stipulated for delivery on or before August 23rd, 1892. The firm failed to pay, alleging that delivery was a day or two late; to which plaintiff replied that the day was verbally fixed by the compradore (defendant), apart from the agreement. This the defendant denied. Part of the purchase money had been recovered already; but there was a balance of $770 unpaid.

(Case proceeding.)

EMBEZZLEMENT OF $12,000.

A STOWAWAY ON A SPANISH CRUISER.

At the Magistracy to-day, before Comr. Hastings, Eduardo F. Ternel, a Spaniard, was charged by Mr. Ortiz, Spanish Consul, with embezzling $12,000, the moneys of the Spanish Government, he being paymaster on the cruiser *Velasco*, in Manila.

The consul stated that he had received a telegram from the Admiral requesting that Ternel be apprehended and detained. He believed a warrant was being sent here, and application would be made for prisoner's extradition.

Mr. Ortiz produced a certified copy of the prisoner's confession, which was to the effect that he had, in his capacity as paymaster of the *Velasco*, received two cheques, totalling $12,000, for the payment of ship's accounts; he cashed the cheques, and then went on board the *Don Juan*, another cruiser, passing as an ordinary visitor. When the *Don Juan* was ready to sail, he secreted himself, and came to Hongkong, arriving yesterday morning. He gave himself up, or was discovered, with the money in a hand bag and admitted the offence. He had no defence.

In reply to his Worship, prisoner said that all he wanted was to be handed over to the Spanish authorities as speedily as possible.

Prisoner was committed to prison on remand for 15 days or during the Governor's pleasure, pending extradition; in the meantime, if he wished, he might apply for a writ of *habeas corpus*.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The competition for the Long Range Cup attracted eleven shootists to Kowloon last Saturday, and after a very close finish between Col.-Sergt. Hayward and Mr. W. Duncan, the former achieved a creditable victory by one point. Scores are appended:—

	800 yards.	900 yards.	Net total.	Allowance.	Grand total.
Col.-Sergt. Hayward	36	34	70	6	76
Mr. W. Duncan	39	26	65	10	75
Mr. E. Robinson	43	18	61	0	61
Sergt.-Major Liddle	26	23	51	8	59
Mr. Warnock	39	19	51	6	57
Mr. Sweeney, R.N.	27	24	51	4	55
Major Ryton	24	22	46	8	54
Mr. Watson	34	15	49	0	49
Lt. Kingsford, R.N.	29	15	44	3	47
Major Robinson	24	11	35	10	45
Mr. N. Gillies	retired				

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column].

CHRISTMAS DAY AND HISTORY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—I asked in my letter to you of the 29th ulto. if any of your many readers would be good enough to enlighten me (if they could) as to the exact date of the nativity of Jesus Christ. I see that Captain J. A. Clarke has taken upon himself the task.

Capt. Clarke has been good enough to say at the outset, that as he knew so much on the subject, and as my eyes could only see a "very hazy horizon" he would with mathematical science "render it clear." Would you believe it, Sir, that when I reached the last line of his epistle the "horizon" was to me so clouded that I could not see my way "clear". In spite of the sun Capt. Clarke put there "to shine" over it!

I am obliged to "An observer" for his calling my attention to the works on Comparative Mythology and thanks to some of his hints, I have been able to gather something more on this subject, for which I hope with your usual liberality you will be good enough to grant space.

As is usual in such complex questions, we have so to say, the problems in equation, we must clear the fractions and determine the unknown.

It appears from St. Chrysostom that in the primitive times, Christmas and Epiphany were celebrated as one and the same feast. He, however, says that it is but of little consequence; that Christmas had been celebrated in Antioch on the 25th of December, as a distinct feast and that the use therefore came from the west. The Armenians made but one feast of them in the 12th century.

It is commonly maintained that Telesphorus was the first who ordered the feast of the Nativity to be held on the 25th of December, as I said in my previous letter.

John, Archbishop of Nice, in an epistle upon this subject relates that at the instance of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, "Pope Julius procured a strict inquiry to be made into the day of our Saviour's nativity, which being found to be on the 25th of December, they began thence forth to celebrate the feast on that day." However the precise day or even month in which Jesus was born is very uncertain. Some, as Clemens of Alexandria informs us, affixed it to the 25th of the month of Pachon, corresponding to the 16th of May. But there are some circumstances which should rather lead us to conclude that Jesus was born in the autumn, as this was in every respect the most proper season of the year, for a general assessment which took place at the birth of Jesus Christ and which required personal attendance, and as there were shepherds watching their flocks by night at the time when Jesus was born, therefore it is probable that the era of the nativity was either in September or October A.U. 748 or 749.

It is uncontested that Jesus was born before the death of Herod and during the reign of Augustus. For in Math: II. 1. we find "Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Juda in the days of King Herod, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem." And in 22:—"But hearing that Archelaus reigned in Judea, in the room of Herod his father, he was afraid to go thither; and being warned in sleep retired into the parts of Galilee." And in Luke II. 2:—"And it came to pass that in those days there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus that the whole world should be enrolled."

According to the testimony of Josephus (lib. 18 XVII.) there was an eclipse of the moon in the time of Herod's last illness (*and not on the night of his death*) which eclipse appears to have happened in the year of the Julian period 4710, March 13 in Jerusalem. Now as Jesus must have been born some months before the death of Herod, since in the interval he was carried to Egypt, the latest time in which we can fix the true era of his birth is about the end of the 4709th year of the Julian period. In order to ascertain the true date of the birth of Jesus it is necessary to fix the precise time of Herod's death. The chief opinions concerning the time of this event are, so far, three. Some think he died a little before the passover of A. U. 750; others on November 25th in that year and others a short time before the passover of A.U. 751. We learn from Josephus (De Bell: Lib: II. C. I. Ant 9. 2. XXII. C. 9), whose authority we cannot reject in deciding this, that Herod died but a short time before one of the Jewish passovers. "That Herod died a short time before the passover of A.U. 750, is thus said by him: "Herods distemper had made great progress before the pulling down of the golden eagle at the temple. The Jewish rabbis excited their scholars to this action, and news being brought that Herod was dying these rabbis were taken up and carried to Jericho, where Herod was in a very infirm state, and where they were tried and burnt to death." On that very night was an eclipse of the moon, which as already mentioned, happened March 13 A.U. 750. From this time Herod grew worse and worse. The passover of this year happened on the 11th of April and the interval between the 13th of March and 11th of April would have been sufficient for everything that Josephus has related concerning Herod's illness.

Besides the circumstances related by Josephus, one would be apt to conclude that Herod reigned nine years complete, and that in the next year Archelaus was banished. Dio places his banishment in the 759th year of Rome. But if Herod be supposed to have died on the beginning of A. U. 760 both Josephus and Dio agree. Moreover Josephus says that Cyrenius seized Archelaus' estate and finished the assessment in Judea in the 37th year after the defeat of Anthony at Actium. The Victory at Actium was obtained, if I remember correctly, on the 2nd of September A. U. 723. Therefore the 37th year from it begins Sept. 2 A. U. 759 and ends Sept. 2. 760. Supposing, then, that Herod died in the begining of A. U. 750 there is in this particular also a very good understanding between Josephus and Dio. Besides Josephus tells us (Ant. 2. XIV. c 29) that Herod was appointed King by the Roman Senate A. U. 714 i.e. 40 years before the Vulgar era. The same historian observes that Herod died in the 37th year of this reign and 34th after the death of Antigonus in 42nd Julian year. If to 713, 37 is added we shall have the year in which he died, viz 750.

The opinion adopted by other learned men that Herod died a short time before the passover A. U. 751 labours under several difficulties which are very clearly shown by Dr. Lardner. *Upon the whole* it appears that Herod did not die before the year 750 nor survive 751 and that he died a short time before the Jewish passover of one of these years. It follows that if Herod died three years and nine months before the vulgar Christian era (which commences January 1st A.U. 759) is at the time above mentioned in the year 751, then he died about two years and nine months before the said era. Dr. Lardner, however, says that this was a truth which he was unable to determine.

We might reasonably conclude that if Herod died in March A.U. 750 then the nativity of Jesus should be in September or October A. U. 748; if Herod died in March 751 then the nativity might very well be placed in September or October 749. The birth of Jesus must be dated about seventeen or eighteen months before the death of Herod i.e. before the latter end of the year of Rome 748 or 749, viz—4708 or 4709 of the Julian period, but for reasons already assigned, the latter date seems to be the most probable. (Vide Dr. Lardner's "Credibility," and Playfair's "System of Christianity.")

In the last paragraph of Captain Clarke's letter he says that he had read somewhere, "that the study of History rescues us from that oblivion to which we would otherwise be consigned." True words these, but did he carry them to the letter? It is well known that an imperfect perception of the distinction has often been the cause of singular confusion. Has he not thrown himself bodily into this labyrinth by quoting Dr. Hadley, Sir Isaac Newton, Alexander the Great, the Chinese, Pliny, Thales of Miletus, Herodotus &c. names bearing not even the shadow of a trace on the matter?

I do give him great credit for his vast knowledge of astronomy and mathematics, but when he takes upon himself the task to fix (with his ability to "calculate backwards, equally as well as forwards") the dates of Noah's flood and the confusion of tongues, he is so completely at sea, that unless he calls in the aid of the modern Bible exegetists I am afraid that with all his admitted knowledge to read the heavens like a book, he will never bring his rudderless ship to port.

I beg to enclose my card and remain, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

A. STUDENT OF HISTORY.

Hongkong, January 2nd, 1893.

NEWS BY THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer *Empress of China*, Capt. R. Archibald, arrived in harbour to-day, from Vancouver, *via* Japan and Shanghai. For the subjoined telegrams we are indebted to our exchanges:—

LONDON, December 4th.

Although the opening of parliament is still eight weeks distant the Conservative party is already on the scene with three amendments to the address in reply to the speech from the throne. One amendment attacks the Irish evicted tenants' commission, another relates to the wavering policy of the government with regard to Uganda. Besides these, there are other amendments under discussion, although the general run of the amendments must depend upon the announcements made in the Queen's speech. It is evident that these will prolong discussion on the address, thus obstructing the work of parliament, and that the object is to test the strength of the government.

A prominent Liberal member of parliament says—We expect the warmest time any parliament has seen since the discussion of the reform bill of 1832. What threatens to make matters worse for members personally is the fact that the relations between the parties are so embittered that the party "whips" decline to-day to arrange pairs. In the last parliament the Gladstonians refused to pair with Liberal Unionists but they assented to arrangements with the Conservatives. Now the Liberal whips find that neither section of the Opposition will pair with Liberals. The result will be that every member will be kept in constant attendance in the House of Commons for fear the government's narrow majority may be submerged by some snatch vote. The Irish party, many of the members of which have been in the habit of absenting themselves unless specially whipped up to vote on an Irish question will be obliged to remain constantly on the defensive. If they persist in their former custom of going to Ireland on the excuse of urgent personal business the government is certain to be defeated within one month after the opening of the session.

December 5th.

W. Robinson and Tom Burrows fought for a purse of £200 at the National Sporting Club to-night. The house was crowded. After a scrambling fight Robinson knocked out Burrows in the third round.

The preparations being made for the expedition of Mr. Gerald Portal, who has been appointed British Commissioner to Uganda, disclose the thoroughness of the plans of the government for the occupation of that African territory. Besides taking, under the name of an escort, a strong contingent of Ghoorkas, drawn from the army of India, Mr. Portal has been authorized to engage for the Queen's service Nubian soldiers in the service of the British East Africa company. English officers, commissioned and non-commissioned, will lead Commissioner Portal's small army. His guard, consisting of four hundred well armed natives, chiefly Somalis, will start for Mombasa December 16th.

Half a foot of snow covers the ground in South Wales and the storm continues. Nearly all outdoor work has been suspended. Railway traffic is greatly delayed. In the north of Scotland the snow is fifteen inches deep, in the railway cuttings the drifts are many feet deep. A mail train for Inverness was stopped by the drifts and the passengers were rescued with much difficulty.

The *Times* correspondent at Rangoon, British Burmah, says that there is a severe famine in Chiangmai. The American missionaries are feeding the starving people. The Siamese Government is doing nothing to relieve the distress.

The Berlin correspondent of the *News* says that it is reported that Prince Albrecht has resigned the Regency of Brunswick owing to ill-health.

BERLIN, December 5th.

Dr. C. W. Siemens, the noted engineer and electrician, is critically ill.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg states that the Nobe-Rothschild corner in Baku naphtha has collapsed.

MADRID, December 5th.

The negotiations for a commercial treaty between Germany and Spain, which were opened here by Count von Kadowitz, the new German ambassador, have caused an absurd story to be published by the *Matin*, of Paris. The paper says:—"Germany has proposed an offensive and defensive alliance with Spain, and an arrangement to place a Prussian prince on the Spanish throne in the event of the death of young King Alfonso. Germany," the *Matin* adds, "proposes to secure to Spain possession of Morocco, the reorganization of the Spanish army by German officers and the construction of strategic railways by a German company." The truth regarding the negotiations is that Germany asks to be placed on the same basis of trade with the Spanish colonies as the United States. She also wants Spain to reduce the duty on spirits and numerous manufactures in return for concessions accorded Spain in favor of wines, oils and dried fruits.

NEW YORK, December 5th.

President Cleveland returned to his home in this city this morning. He is in the best of health.

PARIS, December 5th.

M. Ribot, at present Minister of Foreign Affairs, has informed President Carnot that he has succeeded in forming a Cabinet which is a reproduction of the last. Loubet will succeed M. Ricard as Minister of Justice and Public Worship; M. Dupuy, deputy from Haute-Loire, will be Minister of Commerce. The Protectionist policy will be maintained. M. Siegfried represents Havre in the Chamber of Deputies and the cotton spinning interest. He is strongly opposed to Free Trade. His predecessor, M. Roche, advocated a treaty of commerce with Switzerland, and was thus to some extent an opponent of the Meline tariff.

M. Letellier made a motion in the Chamber of Deputies to-day that the minutes of the Panama committee be immediately communicated to the press as it was essential that the truth regarding the Panama company should not be distorted. Amid much applause M. Letellier demanded urgency for his motion. M. Brisson, the president of the committee, opposed the motion on the ground that the official act of the committee's proceedings would have certain evidence of importance that it could not otherwise receive and the newspapers could only reproduce extracts from the evidence. The motion was rejected by a large majority.

M. Boissezin moved that the committee be empowered to nominate a magistrate to co-operate with it, and asked that the Chamber appoint a sub-committee to-morrow. This proposal, with a motion for urgency, was adopted by a vote of 333 to 182.

The Chamber then adjourned until Thursday.

In the Senate M. Girault, a member of the extreme Left, proposed that the Panama committee be given magisterial powers and

demanded that the Canal company be reimbursed for the sums of money that have been improperly paid out of its treasury. These proposals were rejected by an almost unanimous vote.

LONDON, December 6th.

The *News* Paris correspondent says that the Court of Appeals may decide that it is incompetent to act in the Panama canal case and that the directors may be sent to the assizes. The Reinach post mortem seems to have been forgotten.

Charlie Mitchell, the pugilist, this morning withdrew his appeal from the sentence of imprisonment for an unprovoked assault on an old man; imposed on him by a police magistrate, and was at once taken to prison.

PARIS, December 6th.

Three members of the Panama investigating committee went to-day to the offices of the Credit Mobilier and found three checks, one for 50,000, and ascertained that the recipient of two of the others for 40,000 francs, was M. Viasto, manager of the Comptoir d'Escompte. Several payees of Thierree checks appeared before the Panama investigating committee to-day and declared the checks they had received were in payment of ordinary debts owed by the late Baron de Reinach, and that these transactions were not connected with the doings of the Panama Canal company. M. Chabert, an engineer, who is one of the payees and is credited with receiving a large amount from the canal company, on being questioned about the relations of M. Herz and Baron de Reinach, replied that he only knew that they had business relations. Chabert admitted that he had no account books which show how he disposed of 335,000 francs, of which he was the recipient.

Deputy Borne to-day described an attempt to bribe him in 1886 while the Panama canal lottery bill was before the Chamber of Deputies. He said that he was offered 25,000 francs to use his influence to secure the votes of ten deputies. He was to get 25,000 francs for every vote secured, independently of what the deputies asked for their votes.

President Carnot presided at the meeting of the Cabinet which was held this afternoon and at which was discussed the declaration of policy which the Ministry will make on Thursday. It was understood that it was agreed to allow a discussion with regard to the respective powers of the judiciary and legislature immediately after the reading of the ministry's declaration, which, it is expected, will lay special stress on the pacific intentions of the cabinet.

Deputy Leon Boile writes to the Eclaire to say that in 1886 a lobbyist offered him 35,000 francs for a vote favorable to the Panama Canal Co. Similar offers, he says, were made to most of his colleagues.

BERLIN, December 6th.

The *Tageblatt* states that the Jesuit General, Fr. Martin, has gone to Cologne to prepare for the return of the Jesuit orders to the empire. This, the *Tageblatt* assumes, is proof that the political deal between the Government and the clericals has been consummated. The conditions of this deal were that the clericals should support the military bill in return for a bill for the re-admission of the Jesuit orders.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.

A shock of earthquake was experienced at Amoy on December 16th at 3 a.m. The inhabitants were awakened from their slumbers by the shock which lasted several seconds.

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A Kashing junk boat while on its way to this port was attacked by pirates on the 21st inst. The boat was looted of all its treasure and letters valued at Tls. 2,000. One of the boat's crew who offered resistance had an ear slashed off by the bandits.

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One hundred charges of dynamite were discovered and seized by the Customs officers at Amoy, on board a steamer which arrived at that port last moon. The dynamite is said to have been thrown overboard. The person who carried this dangerous cargo was not found.

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A destructive fire broke out in a small village west of the Canton city on the 9th ulto. and did considerable damage. The inmates of the house in which the fire originated were burnt to death. One of them, a old man, was blind, and another an old woman, a deaf, and the other was only an infant of tender years.

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A troupe of actors while on a passage to Kahsing were tacked by several boat loads of would-be pirates not many *li* from Pingho. On the pirates attempting to board their boat, the actors offered most stubborn resistance. The encounter result in the defeat of the attacking party, who had beat a somewhat hasty retreat.

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A large gambling establishment in Canton was looted by a band of robbers on December 26th and was despoiled while the gambling was in full swing. The robbers mingled amongst the players, and at the sight of a gun they began their looting, and soon made off with their spoil. The men belonging the establishment gave chase, but without suss.

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The Kiangsu Grain Commissioner has remitted to the otai a sum of money, equivalent to the value of 30,000 piculs of tribute rice, which the Central Government had a short time ago granted for relief of the famine-stricken people in Yuow and in the Chinkiang prefecture. Distribution of this fund will be placed in the hands of the Treasurer, who will despatch deputies to the famine districts, to give to the people according to their sufferings and need.

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The canals which the salt of the Tungchow district is carried to market have of late become very dull of navigation, owing to the want of a sufficient depth of water. In order to facilitate boating these waters the authorities have, on representation being made by merchants interested in the salt industry, given orders to deepen the channels. The work of dredging was commenced in the middle part of the 10th moon and it is expected to reach completion some time in the 12th moon.

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On the night of the 9th December the people of Koutanao, place in Kuansuen Hsien, Kuangtung, were startled by the sight of a wonderful phenomenon occurring in the mountains. In this place there is a very tall peak which is out prominently from the rest. On the night in question a strange red light was seeming from the apex of this peak and in moment a belt of liquid fire streamed down the summit to the base in form of a ribbon. Wild speculations are indulged in by people in giving an interpretation of this occurrence.

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The pirates of coast of Ningpo are again active. This they went out of their usual hunting ground recently. On the night of the 5th ulto. a band thirty of these marauders made an attack on a community of wealthy families, living at Szeppo and carried away thirteen young, giving the people a written document fixing price for the ransom of the captives. The document the bandits demanded a [illegible] of [illegible], which amount was to be given them on a fixed day at a certain place on the coast which the outlaws named and appointed. If the amount was not sent the brigands threatened to put their captives to death. The inhabitants being powerless to obtain the release, complied with the request. They made up a sum of $3,500 and deputed a party to convey this sum to the place appointed on the day named. On arriving at the spot, the party saw their young kinsmen securely placed in a boat near by.

ICHANG.

(*N. C. Daily News* Correspondent.)

December 16th.

One of the devils that stood to menace peace at Ichang has been laid. The old woman of desecrated grave notoriety has had her wounds healed with a silver salve; having been handsomely paid to part with the piece of ground containing the dust of her honoured ancestors, one-fifth of the purchase money being paid by the Chinese officials themselves. One, and not the least, of many dangers has thus been removed by the mutual and judicious action of the British Consul and city mandarins.

There remains yet, however another fourteen days of anxiety for these officials before all immediate danger can be said to have passed, and things assume their normal again. By that time all the students will probably have dispersed; many have already gone, but these are mostly from the civil branches, leaving the most rowdy portion, the military, still in residence. The final examination takes place, I believe, in the last week of this month, so we may hope for quiet times again in January; after which will come the Chinese New Year which may, or may not, bring excitement.

The American axiom, "never prophesy unless you know" is, speaking generally, a sound one; but I think I shall be safe in venturing into the region of shattered reputations, and predicting that the students are not likely to interfere with the foreigners again this term. They have remained marvellously quiet during the last week or so, and from certain unmistakable signs appear to have had a handsome lesson which they intend to profit by. True the action of the "heathen" is generally inscrutable, and it is always safe to expect only the unexpected; yet there is evidence, however artfully insinuated, that he is by no means enamoured of foreigners' sticks.

To provide excitement of a cheaper nature and that does not entail similar penalties, they have been pursuing the old dodge of levying blackmail on their own countrymen. Even this, the other day, proved far from a profitable speculation for them; for having entered the hut of a blacksmith, on the river bank, and demanded money, the worthy smith created such a rumpus, that the blackmailers were soon surrounded by a large crowd of long shore dwellers, who mauled them badly and drove them into the city with a shower of stones.

In this *mêlée* the foreigners were spectators only; but they were assured by the victors that the culprits belonged to the same party that attacked the Custom-house, and that they were a very *bad lot*. So, apparently, the residents of the city will not be sorry to be rid of their thieving *literati* visitors.

The weather is still cold, and the oldest inhabitant has a solid grievance, in that the river is now three feet higher than it has been at this date for—well, I forget how many years he says it is since it happened; but before most of us were born.

NAGASAKI.

("MERCURY" CORRESPONDENT.)

Nagasaki, December 19th.

Your readers are informed already that Captain Browne of the P. & O. steamship *Ravenna* had to go with a number of his officers and men to Yokohama, to attend the Court of Enquiry *re* collision case with the late *Chishima Kan*. The enquiry was to commence, at the place named, to-morrow, on the 20th instant.

But there is one thing remarkable about this particular case, and I fail to see any indication whatever in the fact of speaking my mind on the subject. It is the manner, in which some Native officials have subjected the pilot of the *Ravenna* to a private enquiry of their own, a kind of novel inquisition, by an Asiatic Hermandad, assisted, I am sorry to say, by a Foreigner, named Mahlmann, who came expressly down from Kobe, to assist in this unholy transaction, taking place behind closed doors and in strict secrecy. I am not aware what steps the P. & O. Company, or other British authorities may have taken, with regard to this peculiar kind of "enquiry," held on the *Ravenna's* pilot by Japanese officials, before the proper naval enquiry, relating to the *Ravenna* collision, had come off. I am also not aware, if the Japanese pilot was intimidated on this occasion, *or influenced or swayed any way*; all I can say is, as a member of the general public, that shipping people may think twice in future, about employing Japanese pilots, so long as they are liable to be subjected to similar treatment by their own authorities, as has been the case with the pilot of the *Ravenna*, and so long as well qualified Foreign pilots for the same purpose can be got, not subject to be *overridden* by presuming Japanese officials. I note from the public press that the Commander-in-Chief of the Russian Squadron on the Asiatic Station proceeded to the Naval Department in Tokio, on the 6th inst., to express his regret at the loss of the new torpedo cruiser *Chishima Kan*. That is all very nice, but in the meantime everybody is rather anxious to hear the verdicts of the courts of enquiry, pending in this case, and in the *Zambesi-Hokumon Maru* affair. The *Zambesi* is to be repaired at Yokohama, I understand, the Yokosuka Dock Yard being engaged beforehand for a long time.

The parliamentary campaign going on in Tokio I need hardly touch upon, its perusal being freely at your disposal in the Japanese press; but part of the sitting of the 9th inst., in Tokio, is of much interest to our neighbours in Korea, with whom we are now in almost constant contact, by steamers coming and going, and with whom we have the greatest possible reasons for remaining on friendly terms.

The portentous questions of the Japanese parliamentary wind-bag, Mr. Inouye Kakugoro, have received a fitting answer in open Parliament, at Tokio. In the sitting of the 9th Dec. Mr. Mutsu, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, very ably handled the self-conceited, would-be, important Inouye, who seems to have only one string to harp upon in the Japanese Parliament, attempting to work himself up, with some of his blinded countrymen, into an unreal frenzy of pretentious popularity. Not long ago he lectured publicly to grown up people (and political children too,) in Japan, on the four questions, which he intended to bring before Parliament, relating to Korea, and said that he would make the Ministers answer them before the representatives of the people. The great event has come off now; the Ministers did so with flying colours, and the great talker Inouye Kakugoro came off only second best. Korea, compared with Japan, is at present an insignificant place, and the unfortunate Inouye K. has been trying to make the most of the situation, well knowing that anything more important than Korea would be an unsafe *nolli me tangere* to men of his calibre. During the rhodomontades, when he spurted the grievances about Korea in public, which he intended to bring before the Parliament of his country, challenging the government to refute his charges, he took good care to instil into the mind of the unwary public the fallacious belief that up to the last Korean revolution in 1884, he had been the "editor of the *Government Gazette*" in Söul, and also the "Foreign Adviser" of the Korean government; the latter fact, probably would for ever have remained unknown, if Mr. Inouye K. had not trumpeted it arrogantly forth himself; certainly nobody else ever knew of it, until Inouye did "say so. But this "Gazette" editor and self-styled would-be "adviser" made such a muddle of his paper submitted before public Parliament, that Minister Mutsu was reluctantly compelled to point out that he could make neither head nor tail of some of the "ideographs," in which several of the questions were written by the "learned" interrogator, Mr. Inouye Kakugoro. The latter, abjectly apologized by saying that the Minister had spoken of the difficulty in deciphering some of the "ideographs," used in the questions. He, the speaker Inouye Kakugoro, was not a scholar. He was a farmer's son; if he wrote badly, he could only confess to his ignorance. But if the meaning were obscure on account of the caligraphy, he ventured to think that the Minister might have inquired what was intended, and that such a course would have been more dignified and considerate than to bring the matter before the House. He had been corrected, also, in his terminology. He had employed an abbreviated term in alluding to the Telegraph Convention. But truly that was a paltry matter. Much more important was the question of secrecy. He alleged that an agreement had been violated, and the charge was met by a statement that the agreement was secret.

It is certainly remarkable that the omniscient Inouye should know all about the violation of a treaty which is secret, and that he should have bragged about his editorship and advisership in Söul, and now plead the ignorance of a farmer's son in extenuation of same gross ignorance in writing. Inouye and his whole empty, rank word-making may be readily dismissed, and the claims of the petty adventurous Japanese creditors in Korea, on account of the numerous alleged breaches of contract (of which the Söul Foreign Office was not made previously aware), should have been entertained for one minute officially. It is a freak of modern politics, which is without a parallel either in Tokio, or Söul. Japan would never have dared to do anything of the sort in the colossal Chinese Empire, in the face of the official discountenancing of private contracts between individuals, as state affairs, which has been promulgated in Peking. The Korean Foreign Office issued a perfectly similar notification a number of years ago, and yet members of the Japanese Government be-little themselves, by being nearly misguided in Korean affairs by nonentities like Inouye Kakugoro. Persons like the latter would rather let loose the whole Japanese vernacular press against the Korean peninsula than keep the peace, to serve their own selfish ends, well knowing that the present Korean generation is not prepared to defend itself by means of a national press, for the simple reason that Chosen is not yet armed with such a powerful institution worth speaking of. People of ability, influence and honest intentions in both neighbouring countries, Japan and Korea, should make it their business to promote friendly intercourse, and the best possible relations between Dai Nippon and Chosen, instead of Japanese Chauvins, like Inouye Kakugoro, being permitted to rear their venomous heads, poisoning the very atmosphere on both sides of the Korea Strait. Happily, unsubstantial beings like the verbose, but empty windbag Inouye Kakoguro, need not be taken *au sérieux*, and in a land of political fermentation, like Japan, they answer as harmless lightning conductors of party strife, in the direction of inoffensive, and still more or less unresisting objects, as the Korean peninsula. But what in the name of all the Japanese Gods, had Inouye to do with the purely Korean telegraph line of Fusan, in the peninsula, and does he wish to be presented with a few tons of salt for curing the fish caught in Korean waters, by the nimble but not over-bashful fishermen of this fine country? From Korea very little can be given just now in the shape of news known here except that things are going on fairly well, and that from the leading treaty port Chemulpo, news has arrived that the Customs' sea-wall did not withstand this year's winter storms very well; but what can be expected of work, constructed on the "cheap and nasty" principle, without any due regard to the requirements of draining, piping, and without the expenditure of a single pound of cement.

From Vladivostock I hear that the German s.s. *Pimpfos*, with railway material from Europe, had a very unpleasant experience. The piping of her deck machinery forge and burst, and I believe even some cylinders in the engine room went the same way; it would take several weeks there to repair or replace the gear destroyed or damaged, and all the heavy cargo had to be hoisted out by hand, a rather tiresome, slow and tedious process. Of the seven sealers in that harbour I understand that two were sold at public auction, fetching about 3,000 roubles each. Mr. Startseff was the buyer; but the schooners and their gear were sold in separate lots, I believe. The steamer *Strelok*, belonging to the enterprising merchant just named, went to his island Puttatin on the 10th instant, were large alterations are being made. Next year it will be a fine watering place, a most welcome and much wanted adjunct to the rapidly rising city of aristocratic or Czaristocratic Vladivostock, in Siberia. There will be a fine, commodious hotel next year, with horses to hire and carriages to let. A fine stud of horses and all sort of things are there already, and lots of fine, commodious roads have been made already, besides many more being in course of construction. A special steam launch is keeping up communication with the Sebastopol of Manchuria, as I stated formerly already. The work on the railway is discontinued there for the winter, but I hear the excavations at the dry dock are still going on. I understand that skating was going on very freely alongside the s.s. *Pemptos*, while discharging was performed, during the second week of December, but we expect to see everything O. K. there soon, a spell of milder weather may set in yet possibly there, besides I understand that communication through the ice could be readily procured, up to a late date, by channels kept artificially open.

NEWS AND GOSSIP.

They are still killing witches in Russia.

Two persons die of starvation in London every week.

Queen Victoria has taken altogether 417 agricultural prizes.

The Berlin *Military Weekly* ridicules the corpulency of the militia.

Soldiers in the Italian army are allowed cigars as part of their daily rations.

Mary is the name of 1,000 fishing boats engaged around the British coast.

The London *Times* would have all foreign live cattle excluded from Great Britain.

Hundreds of girls are now engaged in London for the Christmas pantomimes.

In Russia the principals of a duel partake of breakfast together before going out to fight.

The wrecked British battle ship *Howe* cost in round numbers $4,000,000, exclusive of armament.

Hamburg has lost thousands of her wealth-producing people and fully 10,000,000 marks by the cholera.

New Zealand has set apart two islands for the preservation of wild birds and other animals.

An article, inspired by Prince Bismarck criticises unfavorably Dr. Miquel's proposals for financial reform.

George Meredith has been elected President of the Society of Authors, in succession to the late Lord Tennyson.

Disabled paupers, "engaged in obnoxious work" in England will have the privilege of smoking and snuffing.

Baroness James Rothschild, recently converted to Catholicism, was baptised in the Cathedral at Beauvais on November 17th.

In Witu, East Africa, they are making sugar from cotton seed, which is fifteen times sweeter than sugar made from cane.

The Pope has been requested by the Argentine Republic to elevate to the Cardinalate the Archbishop of Buenos Ayres.

The Greek Government has voted 500,000 drachmas to be expended on the reproduction of antique works of art for the World's Fair.

The English Cabinet has decided that for the future the Attorney-General and Solicitor-General shall relinquish their private practice.

Cargo steamers are growing in size. A 9,000-tonner was launched two weeks ago, and another one similar in size is being laid down.

There are two places in London where clergymen can buy sermons printed. They cover all subjects, and can be had for every season.

The Egyptian cotton crop is expected to exceed 5,000,000 cantars (over $1,400,000,000) greatly exceeding the best previous records.

It is thought that the English cotton trade strike will be a short one, as the state of trade is such as to make the operatives' demands reasonable.

The pilgrimages to Rome on the occasion of the Pope's jubilee will begin at the end of January, the pilgrims from Alsace-Lorraine being the first to start.

The widow of the late Duke of Marlborough will have the use of a large house at Woodstock and the town house. She expects to reside part of the year in America.

The Frenchmen interested in the Panama Canal have applied to the Colombian Government for an extension of one year on the time allowed for resuming the work.

The milkmen of Frankfort, Germany, freely conceded, at a recent meeting, that probably not one dealer in that city sold milk in the same condition in which he received it.

The name of the first famous man dress-maker in Paris is said to have been Rhomberg. He was believed to have been the son of a poor Bavarian peasant who lived in Munich.

Count d'Aubigny, the French Envoy to Morocco, has obtained concessions from the Sultan for the laying out of roads and the building of abattoirs and water works in Tangier.

An English company is being formed for the acclimatization of elephants in South America. The valley of the Amazon and its tributaries are thought to be very suitable for elephant farming.

Grand Duke Serglus of Russia, brother of the Czar, has been received by Pope Leo in the throne room of the Vatican with every honor accorded to members of imperial and royal houses.

Baron Hirsch is said by a London newspaper to be the richest man the world has ever known the statement being that he is worth £6,000,000 a year. This implies a capital of about $500,000,000.

Mr. Gladstone varied his ordinary athletic program of tree-chopping the other day by lifting the first shovelful of earth on the occasion of the commencement of work on a horse railroad at Wirral.

Queen Victoria heard recently that one of her old retainers at Balmoral was seriously ill, and she not only called on him in person but also gave orders that a basket of fruit should be sent to him daily.

The British journals in general are inclined to take a sombre view of the silver question in the United States. They speak about an "impending disaster in America" and a "financial crisis in the republic."

Mrs. Langtry is having a doll three feet high specially modeled to represent her in face, and to be dressed exactly as she was in "Cleopatra." Mrs. Lantry sends the doll as contribution to the Chicago Exhibition.

The Duke of Veragua, the descendant of Columbus, who has promised to visit America as the guest of the nation next year, has received the famous Order of the Golden Fleece from the Queen Regent of Spain.

A good story is told in Germany of a letter which was returned to the General Post-office with these words written by the post-man on the envelope: "The addressee has hanged himself; present address unknown."

Eighteen teams of British infantry, each composed of eight men and a leader, have had a race of fifty-ten miles. Seven of the teams came in without losing a man, the first doing the distance in about seventeen and a half hours.

Since the Belgian Government has absorbed the telephone business, life has taken on a serious aspect to the telephone girl. All operators are required to pass an examination in English, French, German and Flemish, and be able to draw a map of Europe.

M. Flamarion, the distinguished French astronomer, believes that great climatic changes are going on in Europe, and that France, the United Kingdom, Spain, Belgium, Italy, Austria and Germany have, temporarily at least, lost several degrees of temperature.

The group of individuals known in London as "Souls" are to issue a magazine every six weeks entitled, probably, the *Soul's Oracle*. Miss Margo Tennant will be the editor, aided by a Board of Commissioners. Contributions to the magazine will be by women only.

The German Socialists report that they control seventy newspaper organs, of which twenty-two are political dailies. The subsidies granted to some of them amount to 66,000 marks a year. The *Vorwärts*, the leading Socialist organ, circulates about thirty-seven thousand copies.

A Paris furniture dealer recently bought from an architect an old writing table, in overhauling which he found a packet containing 1,600f. His honesty, in at once informing the former owner of his find, was rewarded by an equally honest declaration on the part of the architect that the latter knew nothing whatever about the money and would not accept it.

The Vulcan Steamship Company of Stettin, Germany, is constructing for the Hamburg-American line a big twin-screw steamship which will measure about six hundred feet in length and register between twelve thousand and fourteen thousand tons. The builders will guarantee a continuous speed of 23 knots an hour during an ocean voyage.

FOOD for Consumptives.—Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda is a most wonderful food for the Consumptive. It not only gives strength and increases the flesh, but heals the irritation of the throat and lungs. It is very palatable; children take it like milk, and in all wasting diseases both for adults and children it is a marvellous food and medicine. Any Chemist can supply it. A. S. Watson & Co. (Limited), agents in Hongkong and China.—[*Advt.*

DEAFNESS ABSOLUTELY CURED.—A Gentleman who cured himself of Deafness and Noises in the Head, of 14 years standing, by a new method, will be pleased to send full particulars free. Address HERBERT CLIFTON, 8, Shepherd's place, Kensington Park, London, S.E., Eng.—[*Advt.*

To-day's Advertisements.

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THE Company's Steamship

"ZAFIRO."

Captain Cobban, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 4th instant, at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SHEWAN & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [53

DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"THALES."

Captain Bathurst, will be despatched for the above Ports, on FRIDAY, the 6th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [65

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, JEDDAH, SUAKIM, MASSAWAH, HODEDDA, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ORION"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—

From Venice, ex S.S. "CARLOTTA," transhipped at Bombay.

From Calcutta, ex S.S. "NIOBE," transhipped at Colombo.

From Trieste, ex S.S. "IMPERATRIX" or "IMPERATOR," transhipped at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-MORROW.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Undersigned before Noon on the 8th instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 8th instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [54

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship "LIGHTNING" are hereby informed, that their goods will be delivered from alongside. Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after the 6th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Wanchai Warehouse and Storage Company, Limited, Wanchai.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [64

NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED, (IN LIQUIDATION).

PAYMENT OF FIRST DIVIDEND.

NOTICE is hereby given that a FIRST DIVIDEND of 20 Per Cent. will be PAYABLE ON APPLICATION, at the Office of the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED, IN LIQUIDATION, on and after the 16th inst. to all Creditors whose CLAIMS have been received and admitted.

Deposit Receipts, Bills of Exchange, &c., must be handed in before the Dividend can be paid.

E. W. RUTTER,
Attorney for the Liquidator.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [61

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

THE SHORT RANGE CUP will be Shot for on SATURDAY, January 7th, at 2.45 P.M.—Ranges 500 and 600 yards.

The RETURN MATCH, MAGAZINE v. MARTINI-HENRY RIFLE, will be Shot on THURSDAY, January 12th. Time, 1.45 P.M. Ranges 200, 500 and 600 yards.

Members are notified that the RANGE will be CLOSED on THURSDAY AFTERNOON, the 5th inst.

ED. ROBINSON,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [51

SINGING AND PIANO.

SIGNOR CATTANEO, having RETURNED from Europe, has pleasure in informing the Community that he will be in a position to RESUME TEACHING in a few days.

Apply at No. 6, CHANCERY LANE, or Messrs. KELLY & WALSH.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [1199

J. D. KILEY,
MANUFACTURER OF
BALLOONS, PARACHUTES, TENTS, &c.
No. 3, JUBILEE STREET,
Hongkong.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [63

KNOW THYSELF!

THE GREAT ANATOMICAL MUSEUM, which none should fail to visit, is now open for a short time only, at Duddell Street, opposite Lammert's Auction Room.

This Museum will be found both useful and instructive.

Approved of by Medical Professors of the Highest Standing.

The most WONDERFUL PANORAMA is also open at the same place.

The PANORAMA consists of VIVIDLY ILLUMINATED SKETCHES of the GREATEST WARS of the WORLD, and the scenes of the late terrible Earthquake in Japan, &c., &c., &c.

Open daily from 11 A.M. to 11 P.M.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

To the Museum, Adults.....30 cents.
To the Panorama, Adults.....20 "
" " Children under 10....10 "

A. NAFTALY,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [66

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

AFTERNOON PERFORMANCE,
TO-MORROW
(WEDNESDAY), 4th January, 1893,
at 3.30 P.M.

THE "SONS OF NEPTUNE,"

(OFFICERS AND MEN OF H.M. FLEET)

In the Original, Sparkling, and Novel Nautical Entertainment, entitled

"THE VOYAGE OF H.M.S. "ALBACORE,""

IN TWO ACTS.

Giving a Graphic and Realistic Description of everyday life on board a Man-of-War, Including Dances, Topical, Nautical and Comic Songs with a Chorus of over 70 Strong.

As performed over 70 times with Immense success at the Royal Naval Exhibition 1891, and before the Royal Family, and several of the Crowned Heads of Europe.

Under the Special Patronage of
H.R.H. THE PRINCES OF WALES.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Col. RAVENHILL and the OFFICERS of the SHROPSHIRE LIGHT INFANTRY, the BAND will perform.

The Performance is given under the Distinguished Patronage of
His Excellency Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.,
Vice-Admiral the Honourable Sir EDMUND R. FREMANTLE, K.C.B., C.M.G.,
Major-General G. DIGBY BARKER, C.B.,
Commodore H. ST. L. B. PALLISER, R.N.

N.B.—Proceeds will be handed to local Charities.

Doors Open at 3 P.M.
Performance at 3.30 P.M. precisely.

PRICES.

Dress Circle and Stalls $2.00
Pit 1.00

Soldiers, Sailors and Police in uniform Half Price.

Children under 12 Half Price, Amahs in attendance on Children free.

The Performance will be repeated on SATURDAY EVENING.

Tickets can be obtained at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., where Plan of Theatre can be seen. Books of the Words can be purchased at Messrs. NORONHA & Co., Zetland Street, Price 20 Cents.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [50

NAVAL CONTRACTS, 1893-4.

SEALED TENDERS in Duplicate will be received at the R. N. HOSPITAL until 10 A.M. on WEDNESDAY, the 15th March, 1893, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYING BEEF, MUTTON, FOWLS, BREAD, PURE COWS MILK, AERATED WATERS, ICE and other PROVISIONS and NECESSARIES for the year ending 31st March, 1894.

Sealed Tenders in Duplicate will also be received for the Hospital Washing.

Printed Forms of Tenders and further Particulars can be obtained at the R. N. Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

A. TURNBULL,
Dep. Inspector-General.

R. N. Hospital,
Hongkong, 2nd January, 1893. [57

NOTICE.

MR. H. H. KIRCH has this Day been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm.

EDUARD SCHELLHASS & Co.,
Hongkong, China & Hamburg.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1893. [55

NOTICE.

MR. ADALBERT KORFF and Mr. ARMIN HAUPT have been admitted PARTNERS in our Firm from this date.

MELCHERS & Co.

Hongkong, Shanghai, } 1st January, 1893. [60

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. MARCUS AARON SOPHER in our Firm in HONGKONG and CHINA, CEASED on the 31st December, 1892.

S. J. DAVID & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [61

NOTICE.

WE have this Day Established ourselves at this place as MERCHANTS and COMMISSION AGENTS under the Style of LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.

JOHANN THEODOR LAUTS,
OSCAR WEGENER,
FRANZ HEINRICH LUDER HAESLOOP.

Praya Central, 16,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1893. [56

NOTICE.

MR. OSCAR WEGENER has been admitted this Day a PARTNER in our Firm.

LAUTS & HAESLOOP.

Swatow, 1st January, 1893.

FOR SALE,

THE VALUABLE PROPERTY,
KNOWN AS
THE FAMILY HOTEL, CHEFOO,
BELONGING TO THE ESTATE OF
EDWARD NEWMAN, DECEASED.

THE PROPERTY is situated on the East Beach, about One mile from the Settlement, and comprises The HOTEL and OUT-HOUSES belonging thereto. The Land measures 20 mow 2 fen and is registered in H.B.M's. CONSULATE as LOTS Nos. 33, 41, 61, 65, 66 and 90.

The HOTEL is furnished and ready for immediate occupation. It has been a favorite Summer Resort for Visitors from other Ports for many years and has proved a remunerative investment for the Proprietors. The Hotel contains 34 Bed-rooms, a commodious Dining-room and Drawing-room, ample Outhouses, &c., &c.

Further Particulars can be obtained on application to

Miss NEWMAN,
Family Hotel, Chefoo,
or to
Messrs. J. P. WAKE & E. F. OTTAWAY,
Trustees.

Chefoo, 31st December, 1892. [58

Hotels.

BAY VIEW HOTEL.

MR. OSBORNE begs to remind the Public that every possible arrangement has been made for the comfort and convenience of Visitors to this popular Summer Resort. "BAY VIEW" occupies the best situation on the Shau-ki-wan Road, commands an excellent view of the Harbour, and is always open to the cool breezes from the Southward. Steam-launches can at any time come alongside the jetty adjoining the spacious lawn.

The Cuisine is unrivalled in Hongkong, and only the best Brands of Wines, Spirits, Cigars, etc., are kept in stock. Private Dinners or Tiffins prepared in First-class style on the shortest notice, and Meals can be served at all hours.

Hongkong, 2nd May, 1892. [480

THE BOA VISTA HOTEL,

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS HOTEL is situated on the sea shore in one of the best and healthiest parts of Macao, and commands an admirable view facing the South. Its accommodation is unsurpassed in the Far East.

Every comfort is provided for Visitors, with an excellent Cuisine, and Wines, Spirits and Malt Liquors of the best brands.

Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths. Large and well Ventilated Dining, Billiard and Reading Rooms, and a well supplied Bar.

A small Dairy is attached to the premises.

MRS. MARIA B. DOS REMEDIOS,
Proprietress.

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THE SHAMEEN HOTEL.

BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably situated within a few minutes walk of the 'River Steamer Wharves,' is now open to receive Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting Rooms, and accommodation generally will be found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.

The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every luxury in season, and the cuisine is in experienced hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best quality only.

A WELL APPOINTED BILLIARD-ROOM.

A. F. DO ROZARIO,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1892. [27

HAUENSTEIN'S HOTEL,

A M O Y.

THIS First-class FAMILY HOTEL is situated on the beach at KULANGSOO and has First-class Accommodation for Visitors.

An EXCELLENT TABLE is kept, and WINES, SPIRITS, and MALT LIQUORS of the very best quality.

Terms Moderate.

R. HELLWIG,
Proprietor.

Amoy, 1st September, 1892. [28

PEAK HOTEL.

OPEN ALL THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, having been Leased by the Proprietors of the "VICTORIA HOTEL," is NOW OPEN and will be run in conjunction with their HOTEL in Queen's Road, thus enabling them to offer special inducements to Visitors and Residents.

SPECIAL WINTER RATES.

The Rates for BOARD and LODGING during the Winter Months, from November 1st to March 31st, have been reduced as follows:—

One person, one month	$50.00
Married couple (occupying one room) per month	85.00
One person per day	2.50
Married couple per day	3.50

For full particulars apply to

VICTORIA HOTEL.

Hongkong, 25th October, 1892. [814

TRAVELLERS HOTEL,

No. 18 & 18, Queen Victoria Street.

WINES AND SPIRITS OF THE BEST QUALITY ONLY,
BEER ON DRAUGHT.
MEALS ALL HOURS, FIRST CLASS BEDS.
TERMS VERY MODERATE.

H. OLIVER,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1892. [1264

COLONIAL HOTEL.

PROPRIETOR .....K. J. SHELLIM.

THE COLONIAL HOTEL, No. 1, JUBILEE STREET, (west side of the New Central Market) is most centrally situated and has excellent accommodation for visitors.

TIFFINS and DINNERS provided at the shortest notice.

A Spacious BAR with LIQUORS of the best quality. DRAUGHT BEER A SPECIALTY.

CHARGES MOST REASONABLE.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1892. [1226

WINDSOR HOTEL,

(in Connaught Buildings),
QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

THE Private Hotel heretofore carried on in WINDSOR HOUSE, has now been removed to CONNAUGHT HOUSE.

Cuisine under European management. Each Bed-room has its own Bath-room. Hot and Cold water. Passenger Elevator to all Floors.

Charges from $2 per day upwards.

Special Rates for Families or Permanent Boarders. Offices and Rooms to let Unfurnished, and Rooms with or without Board, by day or month. Apply at the Office, No. 37, 3rd Floor.

Hongkong, 23rd August, 1892 [25

SPECIAL NOTICE.

THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" will be on sale at the Hongkong and Victoria Hotels, opposite the Hongkong Club, and at Pedder's Wharf, EVERY EVENING from 5.30 to 7.30 o'clock,

PRICE .....TEN CENTS.

Copies ordered from the Office will be charged the usual rate—25 cents.

Advertisers are reminded that the *Hongkong Telegraph* has by far the largest circulation of any English newspaper published in the Far East. THIS IS GUARANTEED. Terms on application.

Hongkong, 14th October, 1891.

Intimations.

THE

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Pedder's Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers.

THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the *cuisine* being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communicators.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new, Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

A handsomely appointed GRILL ROOM, where chops, steaks, &c., are served at any hour adjoins the HOTEL, and is under the same Management.

The WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1892. [898

JUST LANDED EX S.S. "EMPRESS OF JAPAN."

CANADIAN DAIRY PRODUCE.

JERSEY CREAMERY BUTTER.
SUPERB CANADIAN CHEESES, 10 & 70 lbs.
Also
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Very Choice OLIVET DESSERT RAISINS

In boxes of 5 lbs. each	$1.50
" " 10 " "	2.50
" " 20 " "	4.50

Specially Selected for CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS, 15c. per lb. or 6 lbs. for 75c.

CARMICHAEL & CO., LTD.
18, Praya Central, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1892. [52

THE MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL,

Telegraphic address,
"EXCELSIOR," Hongkong.
A. B. C. Code.

1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

TELEPHONE No. 35.

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Board and Lodging by the Day, one person	$ 3.00
Board and Lodging by the Day for Married Couples occupying one room	4.50
Board and Lodging by the Month, one person	60.00
Board and Lodging by the Month for Married Couples occupying one room	100.00

(CHILDREN BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

Sitting-room by the Day	$ 2.50	Tiffin	$ 1.00
Sitting-room by the Month	30.00	Dinner	1.50
Extra Bed-room by the Day	2.00	European Servants by the Day	1.00
Extra Bed-room by the Month	20.00	European Servants by the Month (Bedroom extra)	20.00
Bed and Breakfast	2.50	Chinese Servants by the Day	0.15
Breakfast	0.75		

TRAMWAY TICKETS will be supplied to RESIDENTS and VISITORS at the Hotel at reduced rates.—For further Particulars apply at the Company's Offices, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, or to R. ISHERWOOD, Manager, Mount Austin Hotel.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1892. [1018

W. BREWER.

CHRISTMAS NOVELTIES.

LEATHER GOODS in great variety consisting of Work boxes, beautifully lined and fitted, Writing Cases, Cigar Cases, Blotters, Pocket Books, Card Cases, &c.

Ladies' Work Boxes of beautiful Inlaid Wood and well fitted.

Plush Work Boxes beautifully mounted.

Gentlemen's Dancing Pumps.

Christmas Cards, a beautiful Selection.

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New Volume of Magazine of Art, well bound—a handsome present.

Fancy Stationery, Tennis Invitation Cards, Menu Cards, Ball Programmes, &c. in new styles

NEW NOVELS. NEW SONG FOLIOS.

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1892. [40

G. FALCONER & CO.,

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NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,
CHARTS and BOOKS.
No. 48, Queen's Road Central. 632

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CHRONOMETER, WATCH, and CLOCK-MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-SMITHS, and OPTICIANS.
CHARTS and BOOKS.
NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.

Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches awarded the highest Prizes at every Exhibition; and for Voigtländer and Sohn's CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES, MARINE GLASSES and SPYGLASSES.

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DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP
AND
MODERATE FEES.

MR. WONG TAI-FONG,
Surgeon Dentist,
(Formerly articled Apprentice, and latterly assistant to Dr. ROGERS),
HAS REMOVED
TO
THE BANK BUILDINGS,
QUEEN'S ROAD,
(Opposite Hongkong Hotel).

CONSULTATION FREE.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1892. [24

To be Let.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

ROOMS TO LET.

FOR OFFICES and for CHAMBERS on the Ground and First Floors of the HOTEL facing Queen's Road and Pedder Street. With immediate entry if required.

For particulars, apply to

R. LYALL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1892. [39

TO LET.

HOUSES in KNUTSFORD TERRACE, Kowloon.

Apply to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1892. [31

To be Let.

TO LET.

NEW HOUSES in RIPON TERRACE—Bonham Road, near Breezy Point.
No. 4, BLUE BUILDINGS.
FLOORS in Blue Buildings.
OFFICES—Second Floor, Praya Central (lately occupied by Messrs. Dunn, Milbye & Co.)
GODOWN, No. 14, Blue Buildings.
SEMI-DETACHED HOUSES at Magazine Gap. Very cheap Rents.
Nos. 4, 5 & 6, VICTORIA VIEW, Kowloon.
FLOORS No. 5, Shelley Street.
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Apply to

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Hongkong, 31st December, 1892. [34

TO LET.

ROOMS in "BEACONSFIELD ARCADE," Queen's Road.
ROOM on Top Floor of No. 10, Ice House Street (above the City Club).
HOUSE No. 1, Duddell Street, or in Flats.
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ROOMS on First Floor of House No. 24, "BANK BUILDINGS," Queen's Road.
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Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [1290

TO LET.

NO. 6, QUEEN'S ROAD (lately occupied by Atack).
OFFICES in No. 4, Praya Central (lately occupied by Messrs. Gilman & Co.),
No. 3, PEDDER'S HILL.

Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [33

TO LET,
WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION.

THE Large Handsome SHOP, No. 24, Queen's Road Central, lately occupied by Dakin Bros. of China, Limited.

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Two Large AIRY ROOMS on the 3rd Floor Above.

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Hongkong, 2nd August, 1892. [32

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

PROPOSED SAILING FROM HONGKONG.

China .....Wednesday, 11th Jan.
Peru .....Saturday, 28th Jan.
City of Rio de Janeiro ..Saturday, 18th Feb.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CHINA"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, *viâ* YOKOHAMA, on WEDNESDAY, the 11th Jan., at Daylight, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
From Hongkong, First-class.

To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimault, New Westminster, Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O...	$225.00
To Liverpool and London	325.00
To Paris and Bremen	345.00
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Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND CITIES. FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION.	30 day Tickets.	Continuous Trip Tickets.
Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb	285.00	
St. Louis, Mo	292.50	291.50
St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn	292.90	
Chicago, Ill	297.50	295.00
Milwaukee, Wis	299.50	295.00
Cincinnati, Ohio	302.30	301.50
Columbus, Ohio	304.25	304.20
Detroit, Mich	304.95	302.75
Cleveland, Ohio	306.55	305.00
Toronto, Canada	309.95	307.45
Pittsburg, Penn	310.25	307.00
Niagara Falls, N.Y., Buffalo, N.Y.	311.00	308.50
Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Md.	317.90	311.75
Montreal, Canada	319.75	313.00
Philadelphia, Penn	319.75	312.50
New York	319.75	315.00
Boston, Mass	321.15	317.00
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Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1893. [1

F. Blackhead & Co.,

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EVERY KIND OF SHIP'S STORES AND REQUISITES *ALWAYS IN STOCK* AT

REASONABLE PRICES.

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Hongkong, 21st October, 1892. [198

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VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belgic .....Thursday, 19th Jan., '93.
Oceanic.....Thursday, 9th Feb., '93.
Gaelic .....Tuesday, 28th Feb., '93.

THE Steamship

"BELGIC"

will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama and Honolulu, on THURSDAY, the 19th January, at 2 P.M. Connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
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Cincinnati, Ohio	302.30	301.50
Columbus, Ohio	304.25	304.20
Detroit, Mich	304.95	302.75
Cleveland, Ohio	306.55	305.00
Toronto, Canada	309.95	307.45
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1892. [2

Intimations.

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER Always on Hand.

L. MALLORY.

Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [661

SIEN TING,

SURGEON DENTIST,
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Hongkong, 28th December, 1892. [3

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